



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/663,503	09/16/2003	Hilda Virginia Martin		4917

7590 12/20/2005  
Hilda Virginia Martin  
Josephine Almeda Gatling  
400 Gloucester Street  
Hampton, VA 23661

EXAMINER

RAMIREZ, RAMON O

ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
----------	--------------

3632

DATE MAILED: 12/20/2005

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

***Detailed Action***

This communication corresponds to communication filed Dec 6, 2005.

***History of Prosecution***

A review of the prosecution shows that this application was filed Sep 16, 2003.

A Non Final Rejection was mailed Jul 20, 2004. A response was filed Nov 15, 2004.

A Notice of Non Complaint was mailed Oct 3, 2005. A response was filed Oct 18, 2005.

A Notice of Non Responsive Amendment was filed Nov 23, 2005. A response was filed Dec 6, 2005.

***Response to Amendment***

The proposed amendment filed Dec 6, 2005 fails to acceptably respond to the Notice of Non Compliant mailed Oct 3, 2005. Applicants fail to address the problem to the specification, and the amendment claim is not presented as per Office's rules. Note that the claim listed as original has marks proper for amendment claims, and the one listed as amended has no marks on it. Further, the original claim is the one presented in the original filing, since all other proposed amendments have not being entered. All changes have to be made to that claim.

Applicants must, if they wish to continue prosecution of the application, to buy extensions to time in order to extend the period for response beyond Nov 3, 2005. Please note that the period to respond continues to run from the mailing date of the Notice of

Non Compliant, which was mailed Oct 3, 2005. As today, Dec 14, 2005, Applicants need a two-month extension of time, to extend the period to respond to Jan 3, 2005  
All listed Applicants must sign their communications to the Office.

***Conclusion***


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to RAMON O. RAMIREZ whose telephone number is (571) 272-6821. The examiner can normally be reached on MONDAY-FRIDAY, IST FRIDAY OFF.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor ROBERT OLSZEWSKI can be reached on (571) 272-6788.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571 273-8300.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

ROR  
December 14, 2005

  
RAMON O. RAMIREZ  
Primary Examiner  
Art Unit 3632